

## HOLD CLUB OVER U. P.

Means Found for Probing the Harriman Merger.

## POWER GIVEN BY CHARTER

Interstate Commerce Commission Proceeding with Investigation Into Alleged Illegal Combine of Transcontinental Roads—Tillman-Gillespie Resolution May Be of Assistance.

Developments within the past few days strongly indicate that a concerted movement has been started in one quarter or another to force the Interstate Commerce Commission to run the probe into the operation of the Harriman transcontinental line of railroads.

The charge is made that in the organization of the so-called Harriman line the New York capitalist and those associated with him are proceeding under a contract or agreement in restraint of trade. It is admitted by members of the Interstate Commerce Commission that they have under consideration an investigation of the Harriman line, such as was conducted in the case of the Northern Securities company in 1902.

Attention was directed to the fact that the United States government has at command the means of more effective attack upon the Harriman railroad system than upon any other combination in the country. It is pointed out that Congress, when it chartered the original Union Pacific Company, expressly reserved special powers of limiting the earnings and controlling the rates and charges of this system.

## Provision of Charter.

In the act granting the charter to the Union Pacific, it was provided:

"That whenever it appears that the net earnings of the entire road and telegraph, including the amount allowed for services rendered for the United States, after deducting all expenditures, including repairs and furnishing, running and managing of said road, shall exceed 10 per cent upon its cost, exclusive of the 5 per cent to be paid to the United States, Congress may reduce the rates of fare thereon if unreasonable in amount and may fix and establish the same by law."

It was developed to-day that when the Interstate Commerce Commission took up the inquiry into the affairs of the Harriman system it was at a loss where to begin, as no specific complaint had been made. Discovery of an old charter provision is regarded as assurance that the government may pursue the widest latitude of investigation.

## Other Powers Possible.

Representative Gillespie, of Texas, who arrived in the city yesterday, is one of the authors of the Tillman-Gillespie resolution, the purpose of which is to bring out the investigation of the railroads of this country, and the connection with the alleged oil and coal monopolies. Mr. Gillespie is of the opinion that the resolution is so formed as to bring an investigation of the Harriman merger within its powers.

In case the Standard Oil Company is behind the Harriman merger, and Mr. Gillespie says that he believes such is the case, these facts would be brought out by the investigation under the Tillman-Gillespie resolution and would bring the officials of the company open to action by the anti-trust laws.

## RICHEST JANITOR'S WILL FILED

Daughter Gets the \$600,000 Estate of Thomas Cleary.

New York, Nov. 12.—The will of Thomas Cleary, who was known as "the richest janitor in the world," has been admitted to probate by Surrogate Fitzgerald. Cleary was the janitor of the Equitable building, 120 Broadway, and when he was an orphan as a member of the "boodler" board of aldermen of 1884, on a charge of bribery in the matter of "Jako" Sharp's Broadway surface railway franchise, he testified that his income as janitor was about \$7,500 a year, net.

Yet his daughter, Catherine E. Webb, at whose home he died, says in her petition that his whole property consisted of \$5,000 in real estate and \$3,000 personal estate.

The late Daniel Dougherty, the "silver-tongued" orator, called him "Poor Tom Cleary" in his plea to the jury which acquitted him of accepting a bribe.

## WOMEN FRIENDS GET MONEY.

William Somerville Acquires Acquaintance and Loses \$200.

After a pleasant Saturday evening at a roadhouse near Washington in company with two young women, William Somerville went home with a determination to make a further acquaintance with them. They were so entertaining. When he arrived at his house, he discovered that \$200 which he had carefully concealed in an inside pocket was gone. Although he did not for a moment suspect his companions, he thought that he should report his loss to the police and have the matter sifted.

Detectives Baur and Hartigan disagreed with him in his trusting confidence, and yesterday arrested Edith White and Sophie Ralph, of 45 Delaware avenue, and succeeded in recovering \$55. The women, it is said, were adept in the art of picking pockets, and with affectionate hands deprived the good fellow of his roll. The story will be more fully discussed in the Police Court this morning.

## ALFONSO'S GUARD TRIPLED.

Explosion in Church Plot of Plan to Assassinate Ruler.

Madrid, Nov. 12.—King Alfonso's guard was tripled to-day as a result of the explosion of cartridges in the Church of St. Peter's, yesterday, when an attempt at assassination was made. The police are scouring the city for suspected anarchists, but no clue has been discovered. A panic was caused in the church, and many were injured. The city to-day is greatly excited.

It is supposed the anarchists were falsely informed that the King and Queen would attend church to-day and arranged to assassinate Alfonso in the confusion, if the explosion did not kill him.

## GEN. POBIELSKI RESIGNS.

Kaiser Does Not Approve of His Part in Army Scandal.

Berlin, Nov. 12.—It is officially stated that the resignation of Gen. Pobielski, minister of commerce and agriculture, has been accepted. The Kaiser has decorated him with the Order of the Red Eagle, instead of the Black Eagle, thus showing his disapproval of Pobielski's connection with the Tippleschke scandal.

Tippleschke & Co. are a leading clothing firm, who were involved recently in bribing officers in connection with furnishing supplies to the German troops in Africa. Gen. Pobielski was a member of the firm.

## VOTING SYSTEM DEFECTIVE.

New Jersey's Governor Would Separate State and Local Elections.

Trenton, N. J., Nov. 12.—Gov. Stokes made an analysis to-day of the political situation in the State. Realizing that the Republican party is beset with many factional differences, the governor is inclined to be optimistic on the general situation. He said, in part:

"There are two significant facts in regard to last Tuesday's result. South Jersey has stood solidly Republican, and the State is Republican on the popular vote for assembly.

"The independent element is, and always has been, a determining factor. I believe that party policies should be framed with due consideration to the independent voters, not because they are independent voters, or as a matter of political expediency, but because, as a rule, their principles are right.

"No confusion in party issues is, in my judgment, caused by the commingling of State and municipal elections. The practical workings of this law have confirmed me in my original opinion that municipal and State and national issues should be divorced, so that local affairs can be discussed and voted on free from the entanglements of broader problems. I believe that the present system should be changed."

## MOODY TO MAKE STATEMENT

Reaches Final Conclusion on Scope of Standard Oil Prosecution.

With Outline Plans of Department of Justice in Announcement to Be Made Public This Evening.

The Department of Justice has reached a final conclusion as to the punishment which the government will attempt to inflict upon the Standard Oil trust.

The conferences which have been held at the department the past week were concluded last evening.

The Attorney General has in preparation a statement setting forth the government's attitude. He may find it possible to make his formal announcement this evening.

The questions under consideration were whether the government should direct criminal proceedings to be brought against the officers of the Standard Oil Company in connection with a proceeding in equity in the United States circuit courts to secure the dissolution of the trust.

It is believed that the questions have been answered in the affirmative. A few hours will tell the whole story.

Those engaged in the conference were Attorney General Moody, who has returned from a two days' absence from the city; Assistant Attorney General Purdy, Special Counsel F. B. Kellogg, of St. Paul, and W. B. Morrison, of Chicago, and Commissioner Garfield, of the Bureau of Corporations. It was the latter's department which collected the vast array of damaging evidence against the oil trust.

## WANT VOID BALLOTS COUNTED

Republican Candidates Protest New York Election.

Restraint Order Granted Against Completion of Canvass in Four Counties of the City.

New York, Nov. 12.—On behalf of the Republican candidates for lieutenant governor, secretary of state, and attorney general, A. S. Gilbert secured to-day from Justice McLean, and from Justice Dickey, in Brooklyn, orders to the board of canvassers, to be organized to-morrow in the four counties of the city, to show cause on Wednesday why writs of mandamus should not be issued for an examination of the sealed envelopes containing ballots returned as void or protested.

The court has power in such a proceeding to direct the canvassers to exclude from the county any protested ballot that appears to have been marked for identification, and to include in the count any ballot that seems to have been improperly executed as void.

Mr. Gilbert asked also for a restraining order, to be directed to the board of county canvassers, which would prohibit them from completing the official canvass pending the judicial execution of the void and protested ballots, and from issuing a certificate of the canvass.

Justice McLean refused to grant the restraining order on the ground that the affidavits submitted were based merely on information and belief, and not on positive knowledge, declaring that he would not on such affidavits restrain an official body from performing its statutory duties.

Justice Dickey, however, did grant such an order for Kings, Queens, and Richmond counties.

In the affidavits submitted by Mr. Gilbert, it set forth that errors had been made by inspectors of elections in various districts throughout the county. The affidavits declared that ballots protested as void by the Republican watchers were improperly counted, and that other ballots were wrongly pronounced, and not counted for any candidate.

## EMBASSY AIDS BARRINGTON.

Funds Provided for Final Fight to Escape Gallows.

It is believed in Washington that Frederick Seymour Barrington, popularly known as "Lord" Barrington, of St. Louis, Mo., has been interested in the British Embassy in his fight to escape the gallows. The first intimation here that such was the case came to-day when Attorney W. G. Johnson, of the firm of Carlisle & Johnson, entered an appearance in the Supreme Court of the United States to docket the appeal "Lord" Barrington is making from the judgment of the Supreme Court of Missouri, that he hang for the murder of J. R. McKann, committed in 1905.

Carlisle & Johnson are the legal advisers in Washington of the British Embassy. Johnson, however, says that he was asked by the attorneys for Barrington in Missouri to appear in the Supreme Court for them. Yet it has been a question for weeks from whence the money necessary to lay the case before the Supreme Court was derived. Suddenly the enigma was solved, and it is believed that the British Embassy knows exactly who paid it.

While Barrington has traveled from one end of the world to the other, he has steadily declared himself to be a British subject.

## CALIFORNIA IN TRIAL TEST.

San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 12.—The new armored cruiser California returned late this afternoon from a four-hour's endurance test.

She averaged 22.2 knots per hour, insuring her acceptance by the government. Her best time was 22.2 knots for fifteen minutes at a stretch.

## CRUCIFIES HIS WIFE

Pretty Pittsburg Woman Is Nailed Up by Her Hands.

## BRUTAL HUSBAND ARRESTED

After Petty Quarrel, Bartender Returns to Mrs. Mitchell's Apartments with Hatchet and Nails, Which He Drives Through Her Hands, Pinioning Her to Sink-Happened Sunday.

Pittsburg, Nov. 12.—One of the most fiendish acts of cruelty in the history of Pittsburg, if not the entire world, has just been brought to light here. Crucified, nailed by ten penny nails, driven through the palms of her pretty hands, Mrs. Jean Mitchell, nineteen years old, wife of a former Pittsburg bartender, was trampled at her home early Sunday morning for hours until neighbors hearing her groans broke down the doors and liberated her.

## Lying at Point of Death.

She is now lying almpet at the point of death in the Homeopathic Hospital here, while Mitchell, her husband, has been arrested at Canton, Ohio, for committing this most fearful crime. He refuses to return to Pennsylvania without requisition papers, and the Pittsburg police are now trying to get the papers at Harrisburg.

The affair took place in pleasant little apartment kept by Mrs. Mitchell, Forbes street, Pittsburg. She and her husband have not lived together for two years.

He returned last Thursday night and remained with her that night and left late the next afternoon, after a bitter quarrel with the young woman. This evening Mrs. Mitchell told some of her neighbors that she and "Bert" had quarreled, and she feared he would return and kill her. She told several of the neighbors that if they heard her cry for help to rush in at once, as it would be murder.

It was early Sunday morning, that the neighbors heard a fuss, but no one recalled the warning which had been given by young Mrs. Mitchell, and it was not until two hours later that one neighbor, hearing groans, insisted on breaking down the door.

Young Mrs. Mitchell was found nailed to the water sink in her kitchen with her right robe stained with her own blood. Large nails had been driven through her palms of her hands with a hatchet which lay beside her.

She fainted and fell with her weight on the cruelly lacerated hands as the neighbors broke in and they, without grasping the import of the heavy nails, tore her loose, lacerating the tender flesh still worse. The physicians fear that blood poisoning may set in, and that the shock and pain may yet prove fatal.

Pittsburg has gone simply mad over crime. The killing of H. F. Smith in his father's home last night by a burglar was the last straw, and this evening the city council met in special session, at the call of Mayor Guthrie, and passed a special ordinance appropriating money for 100 additional police for Pittsburg, an increase of almost 25 per cent over the present force.

An example of the dare-devil way in which crooks are working in Pittsburg came at 4 o'clock this afternoon, when Mrs. A. G. Boykin, of 38 Wilcox avenue, a well-known and wealthy woman, was held up at Wood street and Sixth avenue, in the very heart of the city. While one thug held Mrs. Boykin and stifled her cries, another tore her hands out of her muff, and took her pocketbook. He also tore a gold bracelet from her wrist, and escaped before hundreds of pedestrians, who saw the attack, could lift a finger.

The sale of firearms and burglar alarms in Pittsburg to-day was the largest in the history of the city stores. Locksmiths are working overtime fixing up the interior of houses, where people are living in absolute fear of invasion from the house-breakers and murderers. Within the past month there have been not less than 100 cases of highway robbery and burglary on the well-lighted streets of the city. Two victims have been murdered in cold blood, while many others resisting have been beaten or shot.

The hands of physicians and a daughter of Ordinance Officer Murray Livingstone was held up by a masked negro with a revolver on a side street, but she gave him battle and put him to flight, he changing his mask as he fled.

## ILL IN LONDON HOSPITAL.

Dr. Thompson, of Washington, Operated on There Yesterday.

Dr. J. Ford Thompson, of Washington, is in a critical condition in a London hospital, as the result of an operation, according to advices received from that city last night. Dr. Thompson, who went to England some time ago, was seized with a series of serious hemorrhages, shortly after his arrival there. They were caused by an abscess of the stomach. He was operated upon yesterday afternoon, and according to the cable dispatches the operation was successful, but the weakened condition of the patient, as the result of further hemorrhages, makes his recovery a matter of grave anxiety.

Dr. Thompson's two daughters, Mrs. Thomas E. McCarde, of Washington, and Mrs. A. S. Riddell, of New Jersey, are now on their way to London to care for their father. No word had been received from London by the friends of Dr. Thompson last night, and they are anxiously awaiting further reports on his condition.

## Miss Lear Made No Mistake.

Editor The Washington Herald.

In your issue of the 10th instant is printed an article saying: "The late Harriett Wasson had her life insured in the Prudential Life Insurance Company, of America, for \$1,000. Miss Kathryn E. Lear, her niece, was named as sole beneficiary in the policy. Mrs. Wasson died, and Miss Lear wants the \$1,000. The insurance company refuses to pay, alleging that Mrs. Wasson made misrepresentations at the time she applied to the company for the policy." "Over this article," says the article, "Mrs. Wasson has charged me with no mistake, and the heading over the article is misleading and virtually a misrepresentation in itself. My claim is a just one, and proof of this statement is the fact that a claim of \$49 was paid on another policy issued about the same time by the Prudential on the life of Mrs. Wasson."

By making the necessary correction you will greatly oblige. KATHRYN E. LEAR.

## Iowa Strong for Third Term.

Representative Hull, of Iowa, chairman of the House Military Affairs Committee, arrived here yesterday. He reports that the people of Iowa are overwhelmingly in favor of President Roosevelt being given the Republican nomination two years hence.

## Why Peary Failed.

From the Boston Transcript.

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## GET JEWELS WORTH \$30,000.

Thieves Make Rich Haul in Home of Wealthy New Yorker.

Yonkers, N. Y., Nov. 12.—Jewelry valued at more than \$30,000 and about \$2,000 in cash were stolen some time last evening from the residence of Michael Levy, a wealthy New York clothing manufacturer, at 40 St. Andrews place.

The Levys were in New York yesterday and returned late at night. They found the house thoroughly ransacked, all the drawers and closets opened, and the mattresses and pillows ripped open. Every article of jewelry in the house, besides the money, was stolen, as well as several articles of silverware.

After the return of the family a Hungarian servant known only as Anna returned. When the robbery was reported to the police, after midnight, the girl was examined and stated that she left the house shortly after the family and was away all day.

The doors and windows showed no marks, so the police are convinced that either skeleton keys were used or it was an inside job. County Clerk Leslie Sutherland, living next door, reports no one was noticed around the house during the day time.

## RENOUNCES TITLE FOR LOVE

Another Member of German Nobility Causes Flutter in Society.

Prince Eberwyn Will Wed Daughter of Tradesman—Yields Right of Succession to Younger Brother.

Berlin, Nov. 12.—Another flutter has been caused in high society, which has scarcely recovered from the effects of the revelations of the love affair of Prince Joachim and Marie Sulzer, by another royal romance.

This time it is Prince Eberwyn, of Benheim and Steinfurt, who has caused the excitement. He became infatuated with Fanny Koch, daughter of a tradesman, who is mayor of a small provincial town, and declared he intended to marry her.

His father, Prince Alexis, and the other members of his family did their utmost to dissuade him, pointing that the laws of their princely house would compel him to renounce all the honors to which he was born.

Prince Eberwyn was obstinate. Thereupon a family council was summoned, and Prince Eberwyn, in their presence, formally renounced his birthright. He took a solemn oath never to dispute the right of his younger brother, Prince Victor, to succeed him as hereditary prince and head of the family at his father's death.

Simultaneously he was compelled to resign as lieutenant of the Prussian Body Guards. His sacrifice involves the right of succession to many thousands of acres of land. The wedding will take place next week.

## SIX SCALDED MEN DIE

Bursting Boiler in Cleveland Kills and Maims.

## VICTIMS ARE BOILED IN STEAM

Laborers Who Were Working in Pit Had No Chance of Escape, and Only Those Above Were Saved. Many of Them Rushed Blindly About in Terrible Agony.

Cleveland, Ohio, Nov. 12.—As the result of the bursting of a mud drum on a 70-horsepower boiler in the Lake Shore shops at Collinwood this afternoon, five men were scalded to death, nine others so badly hurt that some of them will die, and eleven persons slightly injured.

The dead are: Maxter Wilford, twenty-eight years old, electrician; Albert Bloom, carpenter; Paulo Lanciani, Italian laborer; A. P. Lam, forty years old, pipefitter; and Giovanni Pacioni, Italian laborer.

Those seriously injured were: Julius Maeder, twenty-five, fearfully scalded; will die; William Adish, pipefitter; Aegina Plamero, Italian laborer; Frederick Kergan, Frank Evans, pipefitter; Lorenzo Malgar, Albert Henshaw, Polar Malgar, and R. H. Filbes, assistant superintendent of the shops.

The explosion came without a moment's warning. There was no escape from the steam and hot water, and the men, blinded by vapor, rushed about in terrible agony. Only those working above the pit escaped. Those who were working in the excavation were all killed. All inhaled the scalding steam, which caused quick death, relieving them of suffering in less than a minute.

The men who were scalded to death were all working in the engine room. There were about twenty men at work when the pit when the explosion occurred.

There was no loud explosion, and the men at work in the shops within a hundred feet did not know that an accident had occurred until they saw the great cloud of steam. Before the victims could move they were caught. Their clothes were drenched in a few seconds with the scalding water.

After death, their distorted features, scalded to a purple hue, showed that in the few seconds that they were conscious they tried hard to ward off death. Their hands were all raised above their heads, as if they had tried to shield their faces. A couple of the victims, who probably lived longer than the others, had pulled their coats over their faces and heads.

## NEWS CUT SHORT FOR BUSY PEOPLE.

"An invitation to thieves," is the classification given the establishment of Ralph Wolberg and Edward Goldberg, two Baltimore second-hand dealers, who were arrested by Detectives Warren, Purdon, and O'Brien yesterday afternoon. They are in the habit of coming to Washington and distributing stolen goods in the city.

The Chinese appetite for apples is increasing, and the best method with which to supply the demand for the fruit is by sending ships to the Pacific coast. General James F. Wilder, of Hongkong, says the question of shipping the fruit to China is almost wholly one of cold storage. There are no Chinese apples beyond the Great Wall, and the sense of Confucius are eager fruit eaters.

When Harry Miles, of Germantown, went into a Baltimore pawnshop and endeavored to obtain \$5 for a heavy gold watch his description was flashed over the wires to the detective bureau in this city. He was recognized as the man who entered the store of Rudolph Schmidt, 73 D street, last May and stole the watch and \$18. Detective Burleigh went to Baltimore last night and took the man in charge.

Two small boys while engaged in playing fire engine yesterday morning set fire to a bale of hay at Fifteenth street and Georgia avenue and were unable to extinguish the flames. A fireman in Lapland, are in reality the property of the New York Zoological Park. They were brought from Lapland by Dr. Carl Frisch, of this city.

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## PRESIDENT GOMPERS DEFIANT

Federation of Labor Urged to Remain in Politics.

Convention Opens—Denounces Coolidge Contract Employment on the Panama Canal.

Minneapolis, Minn., Nov. 12.—The feature of the opening session of the twenty-sixth annual convention of the American Federation of Labor, which met in this city to-day, was the exhaustive annual report of President Gompers, who spoke for three hours this afternoon. In detail he reviewed the progress made by labor, devoted considerable time to the history of the city, and urged that every union man continue the fight thus inaugurated.

He was especially bitter in his denunciation of coolidge contract labor, and strongly condemned a longer work day on the Panama Canal than is in existence here.

He referred to the cases of Moyer and Haywood, who are now in the Idaho Penitentiary accused of the murder of former Gov. Steunenberg, as a travesty on justice which should be resented.

Secretary Frank Morrison, in his annual report, showed that the organization is in good shape, financially, and that there is a larger membership at present than ever before. The amount in the past year \$2,500,000. During the past year \$2,500,000 have been carried on, insuring 9,529 persons, and at an expense of \$-282,855.95. Of that number 6,817 were benefited by the federation.

John Mitchell, president of the Mine Workers, is present as a delegate, and will participate in the session.

The session will continue for two weeks.

## NEW U. S. W. V. CAMP FORMED.

Commander Mitchell to Muster in Wilmington (Del.) Organization.

Department Commander J. Walter Mitchell, U. S. W. V., received word from Adj. Gen. Sherwood, of Cleveland, last night, that a camp of United Spanish War Veterans had been formed at Wilmington, Del.—the first of its kind in that State—as a direct result of the recent national encampment in this city. By direction of the adjutant general, Commander Mitchell will shortly proceed to Wilmington to muster in the new camp, which will be attached to the Department of the District of Columbia.

Commander Mitchell will also soon muster into the U. S. W. V. a camp at Norfolk, Va., which is at present an unattached camp of the old order of Spanish-American War Veterans.

## HOW HE REMEMBERED.

Butcher's Boy Had the Flat Building Down Real Fine.

From the New York Press.

"The butcher's boy was such a bright little chap that I care to remember him. I engaged him in conversation while waiting out his order."

"You have all the trade of this house, haven't you?" she asked.

"Yes."

"And I suppose you go to other buildings, too?"

"Yes'm, lots of 'em."

"The woman looked at him admiringly."

"Dear me," she said, "What a splendid head you must have to remember so many things. Don't you get people mixed sometimes?"

"No, ma'am," he said, "I used to," he added, warming into speech under her genial smile, "but I don't any more. Anyhow, I'd never get mixed about the families in this house. I know 'em too well. When the boys tell me to come over here and get the orders he doesn't even have to call the families by name. We've got this building down fine, all of us fellows in the shop here, because there is always so much music going on. The first floor folks have a piano, and when the boss sends me to them he says, 'Go and see what the piano wants this morning.'"

The second floor is the corner, the third the fiddle, and the fifth is the banjo. Even the folks in the basement go in for music. The boys down there has a mouth organ."

"The fourth floor woman seemed still more broadly."

"I have noticed the confusion of sounds," she said, "But what about the fourth floor?" We have no musical instrument at all. What does the boss say when he sends you to call?"

"Oh, we fix that all right," was the dry reply. "He says, 'Just drop in, Willie, and see what that woman with the fobhorn voice wants to-day.'"

And that ended the conversation.

## FIFTY CREMATED.

According to witnesses, he was struck by one of the officials and nearly knocked down.

## CORONER INVESTIGATES WRECK.

J. C. Carson, coroner of Porter County, Indiana, after visiting the wreck, investigating the circumstances, declared that there were fifty persons dead, most of them women and children.

After a careful inspection of the ruins, he said:

"I believe fifty persons met death in that wreck. Nine bodies have been recovered. I have carefully looked the ground over, and I think that fifty dead is about correct."

The railroad officials placed the dead at about fifty in the latest official dispatch.

Speaking with regard to the blame for the horrible loss of life, the coroner said:

"The cause of that wreck was the lack of proper signals on the first section of the passenger train to notify the engineer of the freight train that a second section was following."

Later the coroner made a further statement:

"I believe the blame for this accident lays with the crew of the first section of No. 45, which should have notified the crew of freight train No. 98, on the siding, that another train was following them."

"Everything will be done that is in the power of the coroner to bring to justice the persons responsible for this loss of life and property. Every precaution will be taken, and has been taken, to prevent the escape of the guilty persons."

## SUPERINTENDENT MAKES REPORT.

Superintendent Batchelder, of the Baltimore and Ohio, sent in the first official information of the number of dead to the Baltimore and Ohio offices at noon. Until this information was received the officials here insisted that but one had been killed and four injured. His telegram said:

"Forty killed; can't get names; no one to identify."

The first three coaches of the passenger train were telegraphed. The persons known to have been killed—most of whom were Russian Jew refugees—were caught in these traps, and burned to death almost before they had awakened from their sleep.

Those